

## CM SEEKS INVOLVEMENT OF SHG'S IN DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE

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The Chief Minister Shri Manohar Parrikar has appealed to the Self Help Groups to support the endeavours of the Government for collection of door to door garbage for its proper disposal and tackle the problem of garbage menace in the State. He said the State Government is pro-active and is in the process of formulating a scheme to extend financial support to Self Help Groups involved in collection of garbage in the state.

Chief Minister was speaking as the Chief guest after presenting awards to nine Self Help Groups and Bank Linkage awards to Public Sector, Private sector, Cooperative and non government organisations at a function organised by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Goa Regional Office, Panaji in the city today.

Appreciating the efforts of NABARD for having launched self help groups and Bank Linkage programme Shri Parrikar said self help groups will not come within the purview of GST. He reminded the gathering about the initiative taken by then Prime Minister of India Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee to achieve economic growth in the country. The present Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is also working in that direction. He added saying that self help groups is not a new concept as is it existing since ages. This age old practice survived despite financial support, he added.

Shri S. T. Kannan General Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Goa regional Office who explained about the activities of NABARD said that NABARD launched self help group – Bank Linkage programme as pilot project in 1992 for formation and credit linking 500 SHGs. He said after 25 years, it has become a movement with 85.77 lakh SHGs in India with aggregate savings of Rs.16,114 crore. Over 48 lakhs SHGs have aggregate credit outstanding of Rs.61,581 crore with various banks. He further informed that although Goa is one of the most developed States of India and poverty levels are very low, it has over 7,400 SHGs with aggregate loan outstanding of Rs. 29.80 crores ,he said.

Shri V. R. Khusro, General Manager/Officer Incharge, NABARD , Goa Regional Office, Panaji welcomed.

Shri Suyash Asthana, deputy General Manager, State Level Bankers Committee, SBI, participated in the event.